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Homeland Security Committee Week Ahead

Washington, DC (Monday, Oct. 31, 2005)—The House Committee on Homeland Security will hold the following hearings this week:

Tuesday, Nov. 1, 2005:

2 p.m. Subcommittee Hearing: "Reforming HAZMAT Trucking Security" (311 Cannon House Office Building)

The Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity will review the effectiveness of the current policies and procedures for conducting background checks on HAZMAT drivers.

Witnesses: (Panel I) Mr. Stephen Russell, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Celadon Group Inc., Testifying on behalf of American Trucking Association; Mr. Michael Laizure, Owner-Operator, Time Critical Ordnance Transport, Testifying on behalf of the Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association; Mr. Gary Brown, General Counsel, Pyro Spectaculars, Testifying on behalf of the Institute of Makers of Explosives; Ms. Linda Lewis-Pickett, President and Chief Executive Officer, American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators; Mr. Scott Madar, Assistant Director, Safety and Health Department, International Brotherhood of Teamsters (Panel II) Mr. Justin Oberman, Assistant Director, Transportation Threat Assessment and Credentialing, Transportation Security Administration, U.S. Department of Homeland Security; Mr. Brigham McCown, Acting Administrator and Deputy Administrator, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

Thursday, Nov. 3, 2005:

10 a.m. Subcommittee Hearing: "BioScience and the Intelligence Community" (Location TBD)

The Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack will examine how the intelligence community is utilizing bio-science experts to identify, prepare for, and mitigate bioterrorism risks.

Witnesses: David A. Relman, M.D., Associate Professor, Microbiology & Immunology, and of Medicine, Stanford University; David R. Franz, D.V.M., Ph.D., Vice President & Chief Biological Scientist, Midwest Research Institute.

Subcommittee Hearing: "The Future of Registered Traveler" (311 Cannon House Office Building)

The Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity will evaluate the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Registered Traveler pilot program and assess the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) progress in permanently expanding this program nationwide.

Witnesses: (Panel I) The Honorable Kip Hawley, Assistant Secretary, Transportation Security Administration, U.S. Department of Homeland Security (Panel II) Mr. Charles Barclay, President, American Association of Airport Executives; Mr. Steven Brill, Chief Executive Officer, Verified Identity Pass; Mr. Thomas Conaway, Director of Homeland Security Practice, Unisys; Mr. Marc Rotenberg, Executive Director, Electronic Privacy Information Center National Office.

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